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TRANSMITTAL OF REQUEST TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith please find:

[X] A Request for Permission to Withdraw Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36, enclosed in Exipli

[X] Copy of letter from the Assignee, dated March 27, 2000.

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The undersigned attorney, on behalf of herself and all the other practitioners of the \sim firm, requests permission to withdraw from representation as to the above-identified patent application.

Reason: At the request of the Assignee, Genzyme Corporation, the file is to be forwarded to Deborah A. Dugan of Genzyme Corporation. (*see* attached copy of letter dated March 27, 2000, directed to Rae-Venter Law Group).

Please address all further correspondence directly to:

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To expedite the handling of this request to withdraw, this request is submitted in triplicate (original and two copies).

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RE: Transfer of Prosecution Responsibilities to Genzyme

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Dear Ms. Rae-Venter:

Genzyme has decided to bring their U.S. and foreign patent prosecution in-house. This letter will serve to confirm our instructions and to coordinate the orderly transfer of responsibility for the transfer of files. As part of this transition, please notify each foreign associate for each foreign file that all further correspondence should be forwarded directly to my attention at Genzyme Corporation.

In order to avoid missing any due dates, please handle anything that has a due date of April 15, 2000 or earlier. For all other files, forward the original U.S. and foreign file to me as soon as possible. We will assume responsibility for any further prosecution and/or maintenance for each of these files once they are received.

I am enclosing a listing of the Genzyme cases to be transferred.

- 1. Please confirm the status for each file listed and advise us of any corrections immediately. Please also provide me with a copy of your docket for each of our files.
- 2. If it is your firm's policy to retain a complete copy of each file, please do so.
- 3. Please notify each foreign associate handling a listed file that all further correspondence should be forwarded directly to my attention at Genzyme. We will handle the filing of a Request for Change of Address in each of the listed US and foreign cases.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and I look forward to working with you on other matters in the future.

Very truly yours,

Deborah A. Dugan
Senior Patent Counsel